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Richard Doty and Theodore Forsberg examine Russian paper money

Forsberg Studies Russian Paper Money

"Currency in Crisis: Paper Money in the Russian Revolution of 1917" is the topic of an unusual dissertation project now underway at the Society. W. Theodore Forsberg, A PhD candidate in Russian history at Bowling Green State University, Ohio, is spending the Fall semester at the Society researching our collection of paper money of the period.

According to Richard Doty, Associate Curator of Modern Coins and Currency, the Society is especially strong in the area of Forsberg's particular interest-the Siberian and Asiatic paper money issues of the civil war period. Russian paper money is a section of the cabinet recently organized by Doty, and is now systematically arranged and fully accessible, greatly facilitating research projects such as Forsberg's.

The central purpose of Forsberg's dissertation is to offer a systematic and detailed study of the currency which emerged during the severe monetary crisis of Russia's revolutionary years. Focusing on select regional issues of the Russian Far East, he is utilizing the emergency issues as historical documents, examining each note individually to reconstruct the pattern of notes issued, their issuers and system of emission, their circulation and performance. From this study, Forsberg anticipates offering more general observations on the economics of the emergency money phenomenon.

Experienced in Subject

Forsberg is eminently qualified to develop this numismatic dissertation topic. He received his undergraduate degree from Harpur College of SUNY, Binghamton and his MA in Russian history from Bowling Green in 1978. In

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ANS 1981 GRADUATE SEMINAR, FELLOWSHIP APPLICATIONS INVITED

Applications are now being accepted for the 29th annual Graduate Seminar in Numismatics to be held at the Society June 9-August 8, 1981. Ten grants in aid, carrying stipends of \$900, will be made to students of high competence who will have completed at least one year's graduate study in Classics, Archaeology, History, Art History, Economic History, or other related disciplines. Areas of study may include the ancient Mediterranean, the ancient Near East, mediaeval Europe, Latin America, the Islamic world, South Asia, or East Asia. Applications will be accepted also from junior university or college instructors with a degree in one of these fields. Attendance at the seminar is restricted to graduate students and junior faculty members at institutions in the United States and Canada.

The Seminar program has an intensive curriculum which includes lectures and conferences conducted by specialists in various fields, preparation and oral delivery of a paper on a topic selected by the student, and actual contact with the coinages related to that

William Metcalf, Chief Curator of the Society, is in charge of the Seminar program. The entire curatorial staff as well as instructors from this country and abroad will participate.

Graduate Fellowship

In addition the Society is accepting applications for its Fellowship of \$3,500 for the academic year 1981/82. The award is open to university graduate students in the fields of the humanities or social sciences who will have completed the general examinations (or the equivalent) for the doctorate; will be

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ANS Information Booth Hosts Dexter Seymour, William Metcalf and Frederick Knobloch (George Cuhaj photo)

Constitutional Amendment Proposed

The Society's Council voted, at its October 11 meeting, to propose to the membership an amendment to Article 6, Section 3 of the Society's Constitution. The proposed amendment, which will be placed on the agenda of the Annual Meeting, January 10, 1981, was read at the Fall Members Meeting on October 11.

The effect of the amendment is to expand membership on the Nominating Committee for Society Council Members from the present three to five Fellows. The larger committee is expected to be more actively involved in screening potential candidates for our Council.

The proposed amendment reads as follows (new matter in italics):

The Council shall consist of fifteen Fellows or Honorary Fellows, and shall be divided into five classes of three Councillors each, the classes being elected in successive years at the Annual Meetings of the Society. Nominations for Councillors shall be made at the Annual Meeting by a Nominating Committee for Council Members consisting of at least three, and not more than five Fellows appointed by the President. Other nominations shall require the signature of a total of ten Fellows or Honorary Fellows and must be reported to the Secretary fifteen days before the Annual Meeting. Councillors shall serve for terms of five years and

until their successors are elected and qualified.

By-Laws Amended

In a related action, the Society's Council voted to amend Article 3, Section 7 of the ANS By-Laws to facilitate the work of the Nominating Committee for Officers which is charged with the responsibility of presenting a slate of officers of the Society for consideration by the Council at its annual corporate reorganization meeting.

Article 3.7 now reads as follows:

The Nominating Committee for Officers shall be appointed by the President and shall consist of three Councillors together with such past Presidents as may be Councillors and may be available. It shall present its nominations for the Officers of the Society annually to the Council, at the first meeting of that body after the Annual Meeting of the Society.

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Archaeology at Staten Island, New York. The ANS objects will be included in an exhibition, "Renaissance all'antica: The Revival of Classical Antiquity in the Fifteenth and Sixteenth Centuries," which will be on view November 23, 1980 to May 25, 1981.

ANS AT ANA

The ANS was represented again this year at the American Numismatic Association annual convention held in Cincinnati, Ohio, August 18-23. The Society's official delegate was Chief Curator William Metcalf who was accompanied by his wife, Margaret M. Finn.

The principal feature of ANS participation was the Information Booth set up on the main convention floor and manned each day by Metcalf and several Society members who volunteered as hosts. For their help in this regard, the Society is grateful to ANS Fellows Henry Grunthal, Frederick Knobloch, Dexter Seymour and William Spengler and Associates George Cuhaj, Carling Gresham, Thomas Haney, Gene Hessler, Emmett McDonald, Richard Picker and Robert Vlack.

ASSOCIATES ELECTED AT OCTOBER MEETING

Sixty-seven individuals and two libraries were admitted to Associate Membership at the October 11 meeting of the Society's Council. Included are seven members of the Society's 1980 Graduate Seminar, several individuals residing abroad, and a number of persons who attended the ANA convention and visited the Society's information booth.

Those elected are:

John R. Andrews, Exeter, Devon, England; Robert G. Bagnall, Durham, North Carolina; Mark C. Bartusis, New Brunswick, New Jersey; Lee J. Bellisario, Boston, Massachusetts; John L. Besante, Jr., Jersey City, New Jersey; Norman W. Bodily, Ogden, Utah; Lee P. Bost, Tenafly, New Jersey; Peter A. Boyer, Rockville, Maryland; Chris W. Brown, Shreveport, Louisiana; Kenneth L. Christie, Swan, Wisconsin; Mark Edward Clark, Bloomington, Indiana; Shirley M. Close, Westwego, Louisiana; Robert Cochran, Georgetown, Kentuckv: Bruce Keith Cox, Wakefield, Michigan; David Claude Crenshaw, Clinton, Tennessee; S. James De Gregory, Lodi, New Jersey; Paul F.L. De Groot, Calgary, Alberta, Canada.

Also, Thomas K. De Lorey, Colorado Springs, Colorado; East Carolina University Library, Greenville, North Carolina; Jean Elsen, Brussels, Belgium; Sallie Fried, Staatsburg, New York;

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Metcalf Book Newest Society Publication

William Metcalf, Chief Curator and Curator of Roman and Byzantine Coins at the ANS, is the author of a major new work, *The Cistophori of Hadrian*. Issued by the Society as Numismatic Studies No. 15, this latest publication contains a complete catalogue of all known cistophori of Hadrian.

The book is arranged geographically by mint, and in each section evidence is presented for placing the coin types in their numismatic and historical contexts. The problems of circulation, volume, overstriking, execution, chronology, mint selection and type selection are discussed in detail along with the mint Bithynia. Appendices, concordances and indices complete the volume.

Publication of *The Cistophori of Hadrian* culminates seven years of research dating from 1971 when Metcalf began serious pursuit of the topic as a student at the Society's Graduate Seminar. The present study represents a thoroughly revised version of his doctoral dissertation which was presented to the University of Michigan in 1973

The Society is grateful to the Jubilee Fund of Bank Leu Ltd. of Zurich for aiding, through a generous grant, the publication of this study.

Free to Fellows

The Cistophori of Hadrian will be distributed free to Fellows of the Society as a perquisite of membership. Other members may take advantage of the special pre-publication discount offer and order a single copy of the book at 25 percent off list.

The Cistophori of Hadrian, by William E. Metcalf, 164 pages, 31 plates, cloth bound, 7 3/4 x 10 8/4, \$65.00 list. Members may use the special discount coupon to order single copies of this book at \$48.75 plus \$1.00 postage and handling for orders received by February 28, 1981.

SOCIETY AT NY INTERNATIONAL

The Society will again have an information booth at the ninth annual New York International Numismatic Convention, scheduled for December 12-14 at the Sheraton Centre Hotel. The ANS booth will be open during exhibit hours to aid visitors interested in the Society and to facilitate arrangements for post-convention visits to the ANS.

Stahl to Speak

Various specialized collector societies will be meeting in conjunction with the convention which is devoted mainly to ancient, mediaeval and foreign numismatics. Alan Stahl, ANS Assistant Curator of Mediaeval Coins, will address the Society for Medieval Numismatics on Saturday, December 13, at 1:00 P.M. His topic, "The Great Silver Coinages of the Middle Ages," will survey the multiple silver coinages of the later Middle Ages from the grosso of Venice through the gros tournois of St. Louis to the German groschen of the fifteenth century. The talk will be illustrated by slides of coins in the Society's collection.

CALGARY TO HOST CONFERENCE

The University of Calgary has announced that the Nickle Conference, 1981 will be devoted to "Numismatics and the Ancient World." This international conference, to be held October 19-23, 1981, at the Nickle Arts Museum, University of Calgary, Alberta, Canada, will bring together numismatists and ancient historians from Europe, Canada and the United States.

Metcalf Invited

Five speakers have been invîted by the conference to deliver papers at plenary sessions, all of whom are members of the ANS: Ernest Badian, Harvard University; Theodore Buttrey, University of Michigan and a member of the Society's Council; Colin Kraay, Ashmolean Museum, Oxford; William Metcalf, ANS Chief Curator; and Bluma Trell, New York University.

The program committee invites others who wish to take part in the Conference to submit abstracts of papers on any aspect of numismatics and the ancient world to: Dr. Richard D. Sullivan, The Calgary Institute for the Humanities, The University of Calgary, Calgary, Alberta, Canada T2N 1N4.

Nickle Collection

The conference will introduce to the scholarly community the numismatic collections housed at the Nickle Arts Museum of the university. The nucleus of the collection of some 13,000 Greek coins, mostly bronze, was the gift of Carl O. Nickle, son of the museum's founder.

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Please send me one copy of *The Cistophori of Hadrian*, by William E. Metcalf, at the members' discount price of \$48.75 plus \$1.00 postage and handling. My check (or money order) for \$49.75 is enclosed.

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addition to reading Russian and French, Forsberg has for several years been interested in Imperial Russian coins, paper money and badges. He is coauthor, with Erik Johanson, of An Introduction to Russian Emergency Currency - Provisional Notes, 1917-1925, which will be published in Helsinki in 1981. While in New York, he is also making frequent use of the New York Public and Columbia University library collections, both of which are strong in Russian source materials.

The Society's extensive collection of Russian emergency paper money is, according to Forsberg, a key aid in his dissertation research effort. Citing this collection as among the finest outside of the Soviet Union, he observed that it "lacks little in its ability to represent the variety of political and military issues," and is further enhanced "by a rich assortment of local and provisional notes."

Doty on Committee

Doty, who is serving on Forsberg's dissertation committee, notes that the Society is already benefitting from the research on this section of the paper money collection. In addition to refining the arrangement of the curated items, organized by Doty based on published catalogue information, Forsberg is adding to our curatorial record previously unidentified pieces, attribution of which has awaited an expert in this rather uncommon field of study.

The Society is similarly rich in other emergency currencies, particularly the various *notgeld* series. Individuals having a research interest in this area of the Society's cabinet are invited to contact Doty for further information.

NEW EXHIBIT AT ANS

A new exhibit, "Coinage of Christian Spain: Eleventh-Thirteenth Centuries," opened at the Society October 9. The exhibit, designed and installed by Alan Stahl, Assistant Curator of Mediaeval Coins, was arranged in honor of the meeting in New York of the Association of Research Historians of Medieval Spain.

The exhibit includes displays devoted to the coinages of Castille and León, Aragon and its possessions, and the independent Christian states.

The exhibit will remain on view indefinitely.

Annual Giving Exceeds Goal

Society Annual Giving contributions totaled \$46,950 for the year ending September 30, substantially over the goal of \$40,000 set by the Council. Participation by 351 members and friends made this one of the best years since the inception of this important Society program.

Annual Giving supports the general operations of the Society. It provides funds to help close the gap between our established sources of income and the increasing costs of operating our museum and research center.

One way to appreciate the importance of Annual Giving is to assess what the \$46,950 bought during the past year. These funds paid all our electricity and fuel bills despite staggering increases. Annual Giving paid the telephone

1981 MEETING CALENDAR

The Society's Council has adopted the following calendar of meetings during

January 10 - Council meeting at 1:30; Annual meeting of the Society at 3:00; Corporate Reorganization meeting following the Annual meeting.

March 6 - Finance Committee meeting at 11:00; Executive Committee meeting at 1:30.

April 11 - Council meeting at 1:30; Spring meeting of the Society at 3:00.

July 16 - Finance Committee meeting at 3:00.

July 17 - Council meeting at 2:00.

October 10 - Finance Committee meeting at 11:00; Council meeting at 1:30; Fall meeting of the Society at 3:00.

Nominating Committee Reports

The Society's 1980 Nominating Committee for Council Members, comprising Harry W. Bass, Jr., Chairman, together with Mrs. Marion G. Russell and T. James Luce, reported to the Council at its October 11 meeting. The three present members whose terms expire in January 1981, will be renominated for additional five-year terms. These members are Theodore V. Buttrey, Harry W. Fowler and John D. Leggett, Jr.

According to the Society's Constitution (Article 6.3), additional nominations require the signature of a total of ten Fellows and must be submitted, in writing, to the Secretary fifteen days before the Annual Meeting. expenses for the year; paid for all purchases of office, program service and maintenance supplies; and, finally, provided for all building repair outlays.

1981 Goal Set

In anticipation of continued generous response, the goal for 1981 has been set at \$45,000. All members received a contribution request with their dues notice. Those who have not yet responded are urged to include the Society in year-end giving plans.

The Society's Council has designated the following donor categories for listing in our Annual Report: Sponsoring Donor (\$1,000 and above); Sustaining Donor (\$500-999); Contributing Donor (\$100-499); and Donor (under \$100). Contributions in any amount are most welcome.

METCALF TO CHAIR AIA SESSION

William Metcalf, ANS Chief Curator, will chair the numismatic session at the Annual Meeting of the Archaeological Institute of America, to be held this year in New Orleans. December 27-30.

Featured on the program, which convenes at 1:00 P.M. on December 30. are four alumni of the Society's Graduate Seminar who were selected from among members of the AIA submitting topics for presentation at the numismatic session. Speakers will include Robert Bauslaugh (Columbia University, 1972 Seminar), "The Date of the Unique Tetradrachm of Eumenes;" Michael Weiskopf (University of California at Berkeley, 1978 Seminar), "The Kuh Dasht Hoard and First Century B.C. Parthia;" Thomas R. Martin (Harvard University, 1976 Seminar), "The Chronology of Sulla's Imperatorial Coinage;" and Mark E. Clark (Indiana University, 1980 Seminar), "From Spes Augusta to Spes Populi Romani and Spes Victrix.

The AIA, with headquarters in New York and regional chapters throughout the country, serves a membership of 7,500 humanists involved in archaeological and related fields of research.

While in New Orleans, Metcalf will also be attending meetings of the American Philological Association. The two associations' conventions are held jointly. Metcalf has served, since 1976. on the APA ad hoc Committee on Basic Research Tools in the Classics, which will submit its final report during the meetings.

John R. Gregg, York, Maine; Hector Hachmeister, Condesa, Mexico; R. Graham Harles, Chicago, Illinois; Jim Harrison, Dallas, Texas; Albert Haykel, Paris, France; Leslie L. Heilbronner, Parry, New York; T.A. Horsman, Charleston, West Virginia; Liane Houghtalin, Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania; John F. Jefferson, Silver Springs, Maryland; James J. Jelinski, Greenwich, Connecticut; Barry R. Katz, New York, New York; Robert Scott Kincaid, Kearney, Nebraska; Robert C. Korosec, West Allis, Wisconsin.

Also, Anthonie C. Kropff, Voorburg, Netherlands; Otto Kunstadt, Forest Hills, New York; Jackson B. Lackey, Richmond, Kentucky; Richard L. Lonski Parkville, Missouri: Edward Patrick Mack, Troy, New York; Charles R. Martin, Dayton, Ohio; Richard G. Mc-Alee, Baltimore, Maryland; Allan A. McDonald, West End, North Carolina; Iain Gordon Peter Murray, London, England; Sally Ng, San Francisco, California; Numismatics International Library, Colebrook, New Hampshire; T.F. Oehrlein, APO, New York: Sutton L. O'Neal, Huntsville, Alabama; Miltiades Pappas, Brussels, Belgium; Steve Phelps, Dallas, Texas; John Porter, St. Louis, Missouri; Clifton William Potter, Jr., Lynchburg, Virginia.

Also, Ronald E. Prosser, Iowa City, Iowa; J.F. Richards, Durham, North Carolina; Lawrence R. Rockwell, New York, New York; A.A. Rodriguez-Gonzalez, Cambridge, Massachusetts: William R. Sharp, Miami, Oklahoma; Ted Shiff, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; F.K. Sidi, Exeter, Devon, England; David Spencer Smith, Miami, Florida; Rose Smolowitz, Brooklyn, New York; David C. Sprayberry, Lamesa, Texas; Clive Stannard, Rome, Italy; Nancy W. Stith, Colorado Springs, Colorado; Charles Surasky, Greenwich, Connecticut: Francis J. Tobin, Sanford, Florida; Thomas L. Twohey, Vienna, Virginia; Edward Vasquez, Jr., Findlay, Ohio; Howard E. Wegener, Staten Island, New York; and Robert Wetmore, Berkeley, California.

Reinstatements

In addition to new members, the Council voted to reinstate two former members of the Society as Associates: Robert Hepworth Lloyd, Silver Lake, New York and Colin M. Webdale, Bedford, England.

It is a pleasure to welcome all who, through membership, evince their interest in the work of the Society.



Harry Fowler with guest speaker R. Ross Holloway

FOWLER CHAIRS MEMBERS MEETING

The Fall Members Meeting was held at the Society's building on Saturday, October 11. ANS First Vice-President Harry Fowler chaired the afternoon's program in the absence of President Harry Bass, who was out of the country.

The agenda, which featured an illustrated talk by R. Ross Holloway, Professor of Mediterranean Archaeology at Brown University, also included a reading of the proposed amendment to the Society's Constitution.

Fowler also took note of the successful completion of the 1980 Annual Giving program and urged continued dynamic support for the Society's work. He then called on Alan Stahl, ANS Assistant Curator of Mediaeval Coins, who described the two new displays on view, both of which Stahl had arranged.

The meeting was followed by refreshments and lively conversation centering upon Holloway's talk in which he traced the development of Greek coin types as background to a discussion of the conscious choice of coin types by Alexander the Great.

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28 Last day of discount offer for *The*Cistophori of Hadrian, by William E. Metcalf

March

- 3 Application deadline for ANS Graduate Seminar and Graduate Fellowship awards
- 6 Finance Committee meeting Executive Committee meeting

ROME PRIZE FELLOWSHIPS AWARDED

The American Academy in Rome has announced that the annual pre-doctoral Rome Prize Fellowships in Classical Studies and Archaeology for 1980/81 have been awarded to Bettina Ann Bergmann of Columbia University, Michael R. Maas of the University of California at Berkeley, and Rose Mary Sheldon of the University of Michigan. Post-doctoral Rome Prize Fellowships, funded jointly by the Academy and the National Endowment for the Humanities, have been awarded to Joseph B. Solodow, Associate Professor of Classics at Bard College, and Linda W. Rutland, Assistant Professor of Classics at the University of Washington. Each recipient receives a year of residence at the Academy in Rome.

Of the award winners, two are past participants in the Society's Graduate Seminar. Bettina Bergmann will continue work on her dissertation which studies the actual topography in Rome, Ostia and the Bay of Naples area.

Another ANS "alumnus," Michael Maas, a PhD candidate at Berkeley, will investigate the role of ancient custom in shaping the ideology of Constantinople in the Age of Justinian.

The ANS is a contributing Institutional Member of the American Academy in Rome.

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forthcoming Palestine-Arabia fascicule in our series Sylloge Nummorum Graecorum: The Collection of the American Numismatic Society.

Bernhard Overbeck is Senior Keeper of Coins at the Staatliche Münzsammlung in Munich and Lecturer in Roman Numismatics in the Department of Roman Provincial Archaeology of the Institute of Prehistory. Overbeck, who has published on Roman coins, has developed a specialty in Celtic coinage and discussed this aspect of his research with ANS staff and students during the 1980 Graduate Seminar at which he served as Visiting Scholar.

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writing a dissertation during the academic year 1981/82 on a topic in which the use of numismatic evidence plays a significant part; and will have attended one of the Society's Graduate Seminars prior to the time of application.

The deadline for completed applications for both the Seminar and Fellowship is March 3, 1981. Awards will be announced no later than April 1.

Calendar

November

- 15 Deadline for submission of material for *Numismatic Literature* 105
- 27-29 Society closed Thanksgiving weekend

December

- 3 Numismatic Literature 104 to membership (revised schedule)
- 12-14 ANS Information Booth open at New York International Numismatic Convention, the Sheraton Centre, New York
- 13 NYINC, Alan Stahl lecture, "The Great Silver Coinages of the Middle Ages," 1:00 P.M.
- 23-25 Society closed Christmas holiday
- 27-30 Archaeological Institute of America meeting, New Orleans
- 30 AIA, Numismatic Session, 1:00 P.M., chaired by William Metcalf
- 27-30 American Historical Association meeting, Washington, DC

January

- l Society closed New Year's Day
- 10 Annual Meeting of the Society Council Meeting

February

12 Society closed - Lincoln's Birthday

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ANS LENDS TO TWO EXHIBITS

Thirteen ancient Greek gold and silver coins relating to Alexander the Great have been lent from the Society's collection for inclusion in an exhibition "The Search for Alexander." The exhibit, which focuses on the art, architecture and history of the period of Alexander, opens at the National Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C. on November 16 and runs through April 5, 1981. It will then travel to the Art Institute of Chicago, the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston and the Fine Arts Museum of San Francisco where the exhibit will close on May 16, 1982.

Thompson at Symposium

In conjunction with the opening of "The Search for Alexander," the National Gallery of Art, through its Center for Advanced Study in the Visual Arts, is sponsoring a symposium November 14-15. The program, which features papers on architecture, painting and sculpture on Friday, and decorative arts and history on Saturday, brings together a number of specialists on the late fourth century and Hellenistic periods of Greek history. On Saturday, Margaret Thompson, Chief Curator Emeritus of the ANS, will deliver a paper on "The Coinage of Philip II and Alexander III."

"Renaissance all'antica"

A second loan, of three Roman coins and six Renaissance coins and medals, has been made to the Museum of (continued on page 2)

METCALF SPEAKS ON ROMAN MEDALLIONS

William Metcalf presented a lecture entitled "The Genesis of Roman Medallic Art' on two recent occasions, first before the Collegium Antiquitatis at Columbia University on November 14 and again on November 18 at the Little Theatre of Fordham University under the sponsorship of the university's Department of Classics. The lectures traced the beginnings of the medallic art form in the Hadrianic and Antonine periods, its metamorphosis during the third and fourth centuries, and its decline to the point of disappearance in the sixth. Metcalf also touched briefly upon the revival of the classical tradition in medallic art during the Renaissance, as well as the "Paduan" imitations of Roman coins and medallions

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS ELECTED

The Society's Council, at its October 11 meeting, elected as Corresponding Members of the ANS, two outstanding foreign scholars, Ya'akov Meshorer of Israel and Bernhard Overbeck of Germany.

Ya'akov Meshorer, Curator of the Department of Numismatics at the Israel Museum, is the leading authority on Jewish coins. He is the author of numerous publications on the regnal and city coins of ancient Palestine, including his book on Nabatean coins and his important contributions on the beginning of Hasmonaean coinage. More recently, he is the author of the

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